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BROTHERS RECEIVE LENGTHY PRISON SENTENCES FOR FEDERAL CRIMES

(Sherman, TX) Two Dallas brothers were each sentenced to lengthy terms in federal prison for their participation in a violent crime spree in the Eastern District of Texas.

ROBERTO GAVINA, 24, was sentenced to 75 years in federal prison for three counts of carjacking and three counts of using a firearm during a violent crime. **RAMON GAVINA**, 22, received a 60 year sentence for the same offenses.

Matthew D. Orwig, United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Texas, was pleased with the sentence, "The defendants terrorized entire neighborhoods with their blatant disregard for the law. This is a just sentence for such a violent, and completely reckless, crime."

The defendants were sentenced yesterday by United States District Judge Paul Brown.

According to information presented in court, on November 4, 2004, the defendants were involved in a bank robbery in Richardson. During the getaway, which involved a multi-county police pursuit, as well as an

exchange of gunfire with numerous police vehicles, two vehicles in Plano were carjacked at gunpoint. A third carjacking failed. A co-defendant, Guadalupe Fajardo, was sentenced in October, 2005, to 40 years in federal prison.

The case was investigated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Plano Police Department and the Richardson Police Department. Assistant U.S. Attorney Andrew Stover prosecuted the case.

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